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Dr. Charles Sampson
Office of the Historian
Room 3100, State Annex 1
Department of State
2401 E Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Dr. Sampson:

As you know, I have arranged for the historians working on the Vietnam War volumes of the Foreign Relations of the United States series to screen the documents they order from presidential libraries after we receive them here. Dr. Keefer visited our offices in December and January and screened documents that he had selected at the Lyndon B. Johnson Library, to identify the specific documents he would like CIA to review and release for this project.

After review, the originating components here have given me a decision on the documents that Dr. Keefer screened. Of the 7 documents that were selected for review from this group at hand, I can forward 3 documents for release, since the originating components have denied the other 4 documents.

I shall enclose copies of the Johnson Library manifests that include these documents:

<u>Requester</u>	<u>Rel./Denied</u>	<u>HS/LBJ Document #</u>
Keefer	released	140a, 113, 2
	denied	138, 115, 92, 85c

We understand that we need not arrange for review of any other documents in this group, unless Dr. Keefer (or some other historian working on this project) selects specific additional documents for review.

As usual, the caveats noted in the enclosed "CIA Records Access Policy" apply concerning CIA review before any material from CIA-originated documents can be downgraded, declassified or published in any unclassified publication.

This letter is UNCLASSIFIED
when separated from attached
documents.

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I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. David C Humphrey, Archivist at the Johnson Library, and to Dr. James E. O'Neill, Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries at the National Archives and Records Service.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

/s/
J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

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Dr. David Humphrey
Archivist
Lyndon B. Johnson Library
2312 Red River Street
Austin, Texas 70875

Dear Dr. Humphrey:

This is to let you know the results of this Agency's review of the classified documents that Department of State historians selected from your records as part of their research for a Vietnam War Volume in the Foreign Relations of the United States series. I shall enclose a copy of our letter to Dr. Sampson, noting those CIA-originated documents that have been released (at their existing classification), and those that have been denied, for use in this project.

We appreciate your help.

Yours sincerely,

/s

J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

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24 July 1984

Dr. James E. O'Neill
Assistant Archivist for
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National Archives and
Records Service
Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Dr. O'Neill:

For your information, I shall attach a copy of my letter (with enclosure) to Dr. David Humphrey, Archivist, Lyndon B. Johnson Library, concerning the disposition of documents requested by Dr. Charles Sampson, Department of State.

Yours sincerely,

/s/

J. Kenneth McDonald
Chief Historian

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